# SQL SUBQUERIES & SET OPERATORS

Single-row, Multi-row, Correlated Subqueries UNION, UNION ALL, INTERSECT, EXCEPT/MINUS

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# **SUBQUERIES**

- A query inside another query.
- Can be used in Select, Where, From clauses.

Find employees who earn more than the average salary

Select empname, salary from employees where salary > (select avg(salary) from employees);

# SINGLE-ROW SUBQUERY

- Returns only one value.
- Used with =, >, <.
- Example:

select empname, salary from employees
where salary > (select avg(salary) from employees);

# **MULTI-ROW SUBQUERY**

- Returns multiple values.
- Used with IN, ANY, ALL.
- Example (IN):
   select empname from employees where deptid in (select deptid from departments where location='new york');
- Example (ANY): select empname, salary from employees where salary > any (select salary from employees where deptid=5);
- Example (ALL): select empname, salary from employees where salary > all (select salary from employees where deptid=5);

## **CORRELATED SUBQUERY**

- Executed once for each row in the outer query.
- Depends on outer query values.

#### • Example:

select e.empname, e.salary, e.deptid from employees e where e.salary > (select avg(salary) from employees where deptid = e.deptid);

## **SET OPERATORS**

- Combine results from multiple queries.
- Rules: Same number of columns, same data types.

### **UNION VS UNION ALL**

UNION → Combines results, removes duplicates.

#### • Example:

select empname from employees\_us union select empname from employees\_uk;

UNION ALL → Combines results, keeps duplicates (faster).

#### • Example:

select empname from employees\_us union all select empname from employees\_uk;

## **INTERSECT**

• Returns common rows from both queries.

#### Example:

select empname from employees\_us intersect select empname from employees\_uk;

# EXCEPT / MINUS

- Returns rows from first query not in the second.
- EXCEPT → SQL Server, PostgreSQL.
- MINUS → Oracle.
- Example:

select empname from employees\_us except select empname from employees\_uk;